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THE POSITION IN EUROPE.

Waiting for Something to Happen.

AMERICAN INTERVENTION HOPED FOR.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 7.
The week-end following the failure of the Paris conference finds the British Government in a dilemma, awaiting French action. Paris is hesitant. The Germans are perplexed, hoping for some form of American intervention, and the United States Government is intensely interested, and sympathetic towards France, but apprehensive of the economic and financial consequences for France, and has not yet advanced beyond the stage of cautious enquiry. Nevertheless, in all four countries there is persistent hope that a solution of the crisis may still be found.

The French press is friendly towards Britain, owing to Mr. Bonar Law's sincerity and candour enabling the French to realise the British standpoint. The British press is manifestly anxious, and will not say anything to exasperate or hamper France. The failure of the conference has cleared the atmosphere, and in the event of the French plans being less fruitful than the French anticipate it is felt the Allies may again co-operate with a view to saving the peace treaties and averting anarchy in Europe, with greater prospects of success than hitherto. Marshal Foch's plan is to send 4,000 troops to the Ruhr to draw a Customs cordon round the Ruhr and Rhineland, disarming on the mines, forests, exports and imports, believing Germany will shortly ask for mercy.

According to the *Observer*, France's ultimate object is a huge Franco-German economic combination under French supremacy. Stinnes and other German industrialists suggested this scheme, believing it would be the shortest way to restore German supremacy, but the sudden resistance of the German people may result in the collapse of Germany by the spring, rendering United States intervention inevitable. There are influences in France working against precipitate action, the Radical, Labour and Socialist parties organising meetings to protest against any provocative policy. The danger of the situation is French sensitiveness with regard to national dignity. *The Journal* says: "The whole world is awaiting a French forward move. What a roar of laughter there will be if the move is only a hesitating gesture." Commenting on the obstreperous attitude of the Turks at Lausanne, which it considers evidence of a French attempt to isolate Britain in the Near East, the *Observer* says if France persists in this policy Britain will be free to make her own settlements with Russia and Turkey.

A pessimistic view of the situation in Europe is taken in Nitti's latest book, "The Decadence of Europe," in which he contends that the Treaty of Versailles is the chief cause of Europe's troubles and severely criticises the French policy of extreme nationalism, which he says is ruining Europe, which is becoming a larger Balkans, with 73 States, all impoverished, compared with 57 in 1914. He concludes by stating that the United States Government is bound eventually to intervene.

Washington, January 7.
The possibility of America's entry into the European reparations problem has been measurably lessened by the Senate's vote proposing the withdrawal of the American troops on the Rhine. The official attitude towards the present situation is described as that of a sympathetic spectator, friendly to all parties in the crisis, with America's good offices and economic strength always available when the road has been made clear for American help. There is no indication as to whether President Harding will take action under the Reeds resolution, in view of the fact that the withdrawal of American troops is not made mandatory upon the President. In the meantime it is believed in some quarters that the agreement which may be reached with the British mission regarding the funding debt will have a far-reaching effect on the entire European economic position.

A VEILED RUSSIAN THREAT.

Lausanne, January 7.
The Russian delegation has addressed to the president of the Conference a verbal note complaining that Russia was not invited to participate in the elaboration of the draft convention regarding the Straits, which it understands is proceeding, and renewing the request for participation. The delegation repudiates any responsibility for the check which it says the labours of the Straits commission will otherwise suffer.

SOVIET WELL SNUBBED.

Paris, January 7.
The *Matin* states that the Soviet Government requested the French Government to send to Russia a military mission headed by Marshal Joffre to reorganise the Red Army. The French Government replied to the effect that it was indisposed at present to send the victor of the Marne among the signatories of the treaties of Brest-Litovsk and Rapallo.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

Shanghai Team Coming Next Month.

The Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Football Association (Mr. F. F. James) notifies us that he has received a cable to the effect that the Shanghai Interport Association footballers will leave for Hongkong on February 12th. The first interport trial game is to be played on the Club ground, Happy Valley, on Saturday next.

The Rugby Interport. With regard to the Rugby interport, we hear that some little difficulty is being experienced in getting together a team to send to Shanghai in response to the invitation from that quarter. There is a doubt whether enough men can get leave from their offices to make the trip, but it is sincerely to be hoped that a representative team will be got together.

THE CIRCUS.

Drawing Big Crowds.

There was only standing room left at Harmon's Circus on Saturday, something like 2,000 people assembling to see what proved to be an extremely clever and entertaining show. It can honestly be said that the circus is one of the best ever seen in this Colony. Highly trained ponies and horses do really remarkable things, whilst the acrobats and trapeze artists are clever and thrilling. The trapeze work was especially daring, the four men engaged being given a tremendous ovation. In addition to performing elephants and an act in which a lion, a tiger, two cheetahs and a bear all perform together, there was the humour of "Moe," the clown, and other things to interest and amuse. Harmon's should continue to do big business during their stay.

DR. SUN JUBILANT.

Troops to Enter Canton Soon!

HOPES TO COME SOUTH HIMSELF.

Shanghai, January 8.—Sun Yat-sen, interviewed by the *North China Daily News*, was jubilant over the Kuomintang troops' success. He said he expected that they would enter Canton in a fortnight.
Sun Yat-sen was unable to say when he would be leaving for Canton, but he would probably do so very soon. Fifty of the 1919 Parliamentarians had already left for Hongkong, and more were following.—*Reuter*.

ROOSEVELT HUNTING PARTY.

Coming South Very Soon.

Peking, January 7.—Mr. Kermit Roosevelt and party arrived on Friday, after a hunting expedition in Manchuria. Mr. Kermit Roosevelt to-day took part in the Peking hunt, riding Roy Chapman Andrews' pony Squire, finishing second. He won the Heavy-weight Cup. The Roosevelt party leave for the South in about ten days' time, probably reaching Manila on February 2nd.—*Reuter*.

ROYAL DEATH.

King of Siam's Sister.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Jan. 8.
Princess Suddhadh, elder sister of H.M. the King of Siam, died on the 2nd instant. There will be Court mourning for two months.

THE RUBBER MARKET.

America Reported Buying.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Jan. 8.
Rubber is steady at 1s. 3d. It is reported that America is buying strongly. Shares are firm.

NAVAL VISITORS.

Entertainments for Japanese.

The Japanese training squadron, consisting of H.I.J.M.S. Asama, Imate and Idzumi, under the command of Vice-Admiral Tanaguchi, owing to bad weather, will not arrive in Hongkong until 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning. On Wednesday 190 cadets will be entertained to a tiffin at the City Hall by the Chamber of Commerce. In the afternoon there will be an athletic meeting at Sookunpo, and at night Mr. S. Takahashi, the Japanese Consul General, is to give a dinner at the Hongkong Hotel.

On Thursday, the Japanese Admiral and the officers are to be entertained to dinner by H.E. the Governor.
On Friday, Vice-Admiral Tanaguchi and his officers will be the guests of the local Japanese community at a dinner at West Point. In the afternoon, the cadets will be entertained to tiffin at the City Hall and will afterwards witness a cinema performance.

On Saturday, 400 Japanese seamen are to be entertained to a tiffin in the City Hall. Afterwards they are to be conveyed in special trams to Happy Valley to witness the football matches. It is probable that during the visit of the squadron the officers will be entertained to dinner aboard H.M.S. Hawkins by Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson.

ATTACKED BY ROBBERS.

Young Portuguese Stabbed.

DARING AFFAIR IN CONDUIT ROAD.

A desperate struggle with armed robbers, whom he encountered in a young Portuguese, Mr. Arturo Carvalho, of Messrs. H. A. Castro and Company, being wounded in the wrist when he endeavoured to ward off a blow aimed at his back by one of the desperadoes.

This happened on Saturday at noon, when Mr. Carvalho was passing a rather isolated spot in the Conduit Road. He had noticed the three men following him, but had thought nothing unusual of this circumstance until he received a blow on the head. He immediately turned round and retaliated with such good effect that two of the three assailants were got under, but the third man was left free to pull a dagger and to stab Mr. Carvalho in the back. The blow was inflicted for the victim's back, but he raised his left arm and caught the point of the weapon with his wrist. An artery was severed, and from loss of blood Mr. Carvalho fell forward, and swooned.

About half an hour afterwards, an Indian constable, coming along on his beat, noticed the apparently lifeless form of the victim lying in the roadway and summoned aid from the nearest house. Into this place Mr. Carvalho was carried and his wrist was temporarily bandaged to stop the flow of blood. Later it was possible to remove him to the Government Civil Hospital for more thorough treatment. Though still weak, Mr. Carvalho is now doing well, and expects to be discharged from the hospital in a few days. The only valuable stolen from him by the robbers was a wrist watch. The police have been informed of the affair, but no arrests have yet been made.

MORE ARMED ROBBERIES.

Shopkeeper and Cyclist Suffer.

The occurrence of an armed robbery at West Point, in which the usual ruse for obtaining entry by pretending to be customers was resorted to, is reported by a shopkeeper as resulting in a loss of \$500 for the shop, in addition to a gold watch and ring being stolen from one of the folk. Completely thrown off his guard by the innocent-looking appearance of a man who came in to purchase ten cents' worth of rice, the shopkeeper was immediately made aware of the real circumstances by the production of a dagger. With threats and menaces, the shopkeeper and his folk were bundled into the rear portion of the shop, where they were kept bound and gagged during the half-hour that the gang took to clear up the valuables of the place. The safe was opened with the key taken from the shopkeeper. In this robbery no less than ten men participated.

A Costly Ride.

His whole attention engaged in endeavouring to master the vehicle, a would-be cyclist named Chung Kwong-peng did not notice that he was being watched by four men until they came up and demanded his money and valuables, under pain of being given a good hiding. The victim, who is a schoolboy, had to part with his bicycle, valued at only \$3. This happened at Kennedy Town yesterday afternoon, whilst the youth was near the Jubilee Lookout.

MR. SMILLIE'S HOPE.

Mr. Robert Smillie, speaking at a meeting of the Executive of the Scottish Miners' Federation at Glasgow, remarked that he need not look for the millionaires in a few months, but with the working members in the House of Labour so strong a great improvement in the life of the workers must be looked for.

ITALIAN PRINCE.

Due in Hongkong This Week.

H. R. Prince Aimoone Roberto, Duke of Spoleto, is on board the Italian gunboat *Sebastiano Caboto*, which is due to arrive here on or about the 10th instant. He is travelling unofficially. H. R. H. was born on the 3rd March, 1900. He is the second son of H. R. H. Prince Emanuele Filiberto, Duke of Aosta, first cousin to the King of Italy, and Elena d'Orleans. Prince Aimoone is an officer in the Italian Navy.

During the war, H. R. H. the Duke of Aosta commanded the 3rd Army which covered itself with glory on the difficult Carso front, and he is still one of the most eminent personalities in the Italian Army, just as his brother, the Duke of Abruzzi, is of the Navy.

POLO.

The K.O.Y.L.I. Cup

We are informed that the first round of the K.O.Y.L.I. Polo Cup will be played on Tuesday (to-morrow), between teams representing the Navy and the Army. The winning team will meet the civilian team in the final on Saturday next. The teams to-morrow are—

Navy.—No. 1, Lieut. H. Kemmis, R.N.; No. 2, Lieut. Col. R. H. Darwall, R.M.L.I.; No. 3, Lieut. J. R. H. D'Aeth, R.N.; Back, Capt. R. Neville, R.M.L.I.
Army.—No. 1, Lieut. E. L. E. Davies, R.G.A.; No. 2, Capt. C. S. Fisher, R.G.A.; No. 3, Lieut. C. P. Moore, 2nd Pn. King's Regt.; Back, Major-General Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.
The civilian team will probably be—No. 1, Mr. W. H. S. Dent; No. 2, Mr. C. C. Boyd; No. 3, Mr. J. G. Lyon; Back, Mr. J. Batholomew.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Clever as the faker of old furniture is, he is a mere child in his inglorious art compared with the faker of old violins. A large section of the musical, or music-loving, public is firmly convinced, firstly, that an old violin must be a good violin, and, secondly, that unless a violin be old it cannot be good. The one proposition is about as true as the other. Plenty of old violins are very bad; plenty of new ones are very good. But your devotee of the old will have nothing to say to the new; on the other hand, he is usually liable to be hopelessly taken in where anything "old" is concerned. In every part and in almost every respect, so far as outward appearances go, the old violin can be copied. Labels are forged, varnish is rubbed, artificial damage is introduced and skillfully repaired, the wood is cunningly "aged" with chemicals until even the expert may be deceived unless he makes a very close examination.

On the night when the results of the American elections were declared, the members of clubs and patrons of hotels in American cities found on the writing-tables of those institutions a labour-saving leaflet issued by the Western Union Telegraph Company. It contained thirty-one varieties of congratulatory message suitable for sending to successful candidates. "A message of congratulation sent by telegraph," said a foreword, "gains a certain warmth and a ring of sincerity not attained by any other form of communication." In none of the thirty-one formulae was there anything out of the common either in ideas or phrasing. What one really wants on such occasions is suggestions for friendly and sympathetic messages to candidates who have been unsuccessful at the polls. A leaflet that would help one over that difficulty might bring a telegraph company some additional business.

BLACK MONDAY.

"Symps" In Session.

The frank confession of a mistake greatly palliates its commission, and because we realise that we are going to be frank enough to confess that Saturday's Symposium was not a success. There was a very solemn conclusion among the "Symps" this morning when they met to consider next Saturday's subject, with the result that "there ain't going to be any Symposium." The post-mortem on last Saturday's went somewhat like this:—

"Too long and too stodgy," said the Junior Symp.

"It symp-ly frightened readers off," added another.

"There was nothing original or funny or even very interesting about it," grumbled the Senior Symp.

"People are complaining of headaches, and I symp-athise with them," said the thin one.

"Well, are we going to inflict any more and can we find a suitable subject?" asked the Chief-of-Staff.

There were corrugated foreheads, a deadly silence. Someone sighed. Then up spake the author of the idea: "Look here, you chaps we somehow missed it. It may have been a rotten subject, it may have been that we were all too long, or it may have been that we are not out for that kind of stuff, but I'm certain that those five-and-a-quarter columns fell flat. I vote we cut it out. Let's turn in something 'chippy'—say, each man does what he likes, perhaps a local joke or two or a paragraph that's going to be read—and then let one of us edit the stuff and sort the wheat from the chaff; it would be much better."

Approvals were listlessly nodded, no subject for next Saturday was ventured, and the group dispersed feeling that there remains a reputation to be retrieved.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

A Record?
Sir,—I beg your indulgence to publish the following, thinking it may be of interest to your Service readers.

A few days ago there gathered in a Sergeant's Mess in this Garrison, ten men. It was observed that the whole of the ten men were in possession of the medal ribbon of the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal. This led to a discussion and the following facts were brought to light:—

1. That between them the ten could muster a total of 220 years' service, giving an average of 22 years each, the majority of which has been served abroad.
2. That the total weight was 125 stones, or an average of 12½ stones per man.

3. That between them they mustered 48 medals, giving an average of almost five each.

With one exception only, the ten were Warrant Officers.

Is this a record?

It is pointed out that the meeting of these ten men was quite a casual one, and was not by arrangement.

Yours etc.,
"OLD SOLDIERS."
"HONGKONG JAN. 8, 1923."

A Request.

Sir,—I trust that you will insert these few lines in the columns of your paper, in the hope that they will catch the eyes of at least one or two of the gentlemen who leave a cheery social gathering in the neighbourhood of Mody Road, Kowloon, an hour or two after midnight several times each week.

I feel sure that when these gentlemen realise that their shouts down the road for "Rick-shaw!" leave awakened for hours afterwards, perhaps for the whole night, a lady who is lying dangerously ill in Mody Road, they will obtain their rickshaws and take their departure in as quiet a manner as possible.

I enclose my card.
Yours etc.,
"AVOCAT."
Kowloon, Jan. 8, 1923.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

Note This Week.

In view of the intense popularity of our Football Competition, we regret to announce that none will be held this week. This is due to the fact that, owing to the Interport Trial Match, there will be no 1st Division game next Saturday, whilst some of the seven 2nd Division matches on the fixture card may not be fulfilled.
The result of last week's competition will be announced in our issue of to-morrow.

LAND SALE.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 419, situated at Samshui, measuring 49,500 square feet, was bought by a group of Chinese business men at to-day's sale at the E.W.D. office for \$153,500. Bidding was very slow. The syndicate is headed by the contractor, Kwok To-tai, who is doing the reclamation works at Samshui. The upset price was \$99,000.

DAY BY DAY.

The P. and O. and B. I. Companies have issued a striking coloured wall calendar, showing the P. and O. s.s. *Mooltan* and the B. I. s.s. *Domala* at Aden.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's vessel *Tung Shing*, which went ashore at Swatow during the big typhoon in August, last year, has been refitted and arrived in Hongkong this morning. She will go into Kowloon Dock for repair.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The personal effects of the late Mr. E. A. Hewitt, O.M.G., will be sold by public auction by Messrs. Hughes and Hough.—Page 4.

William Duncan is appearing at the Kowloon Theatre in "Steelheart."—Pages 7 and 12.

Lammet Brothers are holding public auction sales of miscellaneous goods and household furniture on the 9th and 12th inst.—Page 4.

Attention is drawn to "Lechtenfelds" shorthand system on page 4.

Lane Crawford, Ltd. have received a shipment of Sports Wear.—Page 6.

"The Carnival Child" is the feature at the World Theatre.—Page 12.

For the programme at the Cornet Theatre refer to Page 12. The statutory meeting of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, Ltd., will be held on the 18th inst.—Page 4.

LISTEN!

The idle hours of the day are the ones that hurt.

Special ferries have been arranged for after every performance of Harmon's Circus.—Page 4.

Sheriff Brothers give a list of birth-stones on Page 5.

"The Storm" is being screened at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.

Consignments are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "Bowes Castle."—Page 10.

Entries are invited for the Billiard-Championships of the Colony.—Page 4.

To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was \$4.37/16d.

Lighting Up Time to-day 5.15 p.m.

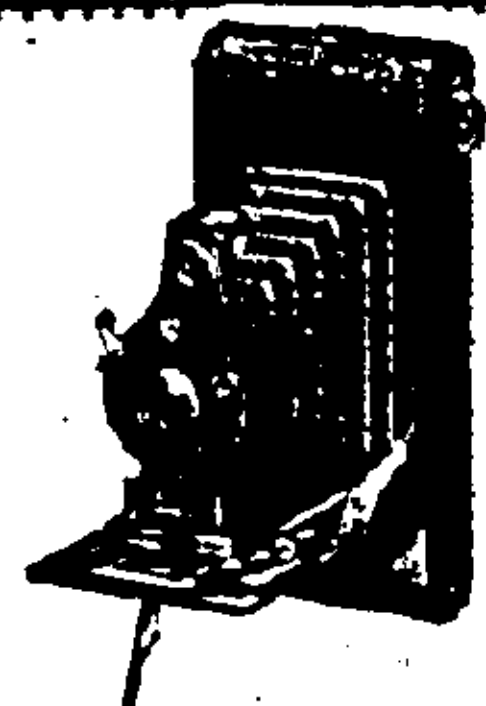
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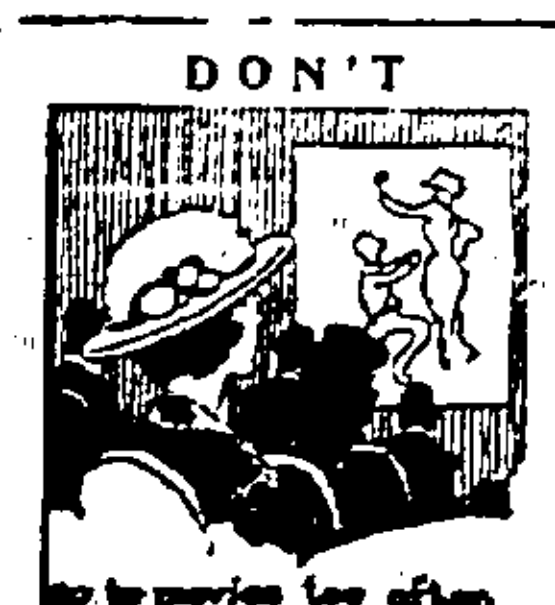
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CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

The Jockey Club.

Sir—Will you kindly allow me the use of your columns in order to tell a story, which, I think, will express the views of the thinking public of Hongkong?

Some years ago, there came to this Colony a man and his family. The man was not, nor has he ever been, of high intellectual standing, but, at the time of his arrival, he was filled with Utopian ideals, and, at least, a kindly heart.

Perhaps it was the knowledge of his own weakness that led him to realize his need of help. At any rate, he took to his home an adopted child.

This child was keen and filled with wisdom and understanding. For fifty years, or more, he laboured for the family of his adopted father. Under his guiding hand, the family became great, and, what was once a tender sapling grew into a mighty oak, because of the genius of the adopted child.

But, when the tree became great, it forgot the source of its greatness and its heart was turned to stone. The son of its adoption, now grown old in faithful service, was suddenly driven from the family circle. They became puffed up because of their riches, and felt that he was not good enough to associate with the royal blood. He was driven from the house and asked to find shelter in the out-houses and barns. A wooden fence was even erected to prevent him from again entering his old home.

The old man felt deeply the ingratitude, but, realising the unworthiness and shallowness of the family for whom he had given his life, he let the wooden fence remain. He even left the out-houses and the stables. He left them the wealth of the earth—to enjoy the fruits of his years of labour.

Even the snobs and least enlightened of Hongkong would rebel against, and try to rectify a circumstance like that which has been described above, but, in doing so, they would pronounce judgment on their own selves.

Three score, or more, years in the past, the Jockey Club came into our midst. They were poor and helpless and even had to beg for the ground on which they now stand.

The adopted child was the public of Hongkong, and under its wise and generous care, the Jockey Club has grown into a mighty tree.

Now, in the ignorance of its mind, the pride of its heart, the greatness of its riches, he turns the faithful benefactor from his door. The writer, in talking to one individual who claims to be a member of the above highly intelligent organization, was told to use his own words. "We don't care whether the public come or not. We've got all the money we need." The public of Hongkong is great. They could tear down with their strength the noble fence, or even the house itself that covers the ignorant and narrow-minded individual, but their pride and greatness are too generous to permit them to fight against an organization which they have backed so faithfully for these score years and ten. They will leave the wooden fence, the out-houses and stables. They will leave the decrepit old family to enjoy in solitude the work of their hands.

What would you think, Mr. Jockey Club, of the V. R. C. H. at their annual fête, the best seats in the house were reserved for members only, and you were forced to sit where you could not see the finish of the swimming races, or could only see the divers when they left the board and not when they hit the water?

You would look with contempt on such a club and its yearly fête would soon sink into oblivion. And, if such were the case, your sentiment and lack of interest would be thoroughly justified.

A member of your organization, to quote his own words, said, "The public will come. They can't resist the method of making money which we hold out to them."

I suppose he had reference to the ten cent dividends which you have so generously paid on five dollar investments.

I believe that I express the sentiments and intentions of the entire public of Hongkong, when I say to the Jockey Club:

"Either you tear down the fence which separates us from our old domain and allow us to associate with you as we have done in the years that have passed, or we will leave you to enjoy the fruits of our labour and never again lend our assistance to such an unappreciative, bigoted and snobbish organization."—Y. Y. Y. etc.

FIVE YEARS A VISITOR.
Hongkong, 6th Jan., 1933.

SUNLIGHT AND SLEEP.

More Repose Required In Winter.

It is a sound rule to arrange for an extra hour of sleep during the winter months, writes a Doctor of Medicine in the *Daily Chronicle*. For, as the sunlight dwindles in intensity, our bodies lose one of their greatest and most important sources of energy. That other great source, sleep, must be drawn upon in increased measure.

This is the secret of the winter sleep of many animals and of the winter sleepiness of so many others. As the light fades their strength seems to fade with it. The organs of their bodies function weakly, and gradually they sink into a torpor.

Men, however, and the higher creatures, have learned to outlast the dark days without perpetual somnolence. Thanks to the use of foods which in some measure replace the sunlight, they keep awake and at work.

The chief of these foods is animal fat; and the farther north one travels the more fat is required. The Eskimo with his blubber is the final illustration. By means of it he sets even the Arctic night at defiance.

SUNLIGHT FAT AND SLEEP.

For fat has recently been found to exercise the same effect on the human system as direct sunlight. Thanks to the work at the Kinderklinik at Vienna on rickety children we have learned that sunlight is a food in a real, substantial sense. In its absence and in the absence of animal fat, e.g., milk, butter, cod liver oil, children waste and languish. In its presence fat is not required to the same extent.

It may seem that the connection between these observations and the hours of sleep is not very apparent one. Yet in point of fact intensity of sunlight, the degree of fat in diet and the duration of sleep are aspects of the same thing. If one is diminished the others must be increased.

Nowadays it is easy enough to obtain butter and other animal fats even in the darkest period of winter. But it is not so easy to obtain sleep. City life, on the contrary, tends to cheat those who participate in it of their due in this respect.

Short hours of sleep may be safe enough in May and June; in October and the succeeding months they are dangerous. For the effect of want of sleep is a lowering of the bodily resistance to the germs of inflammations of various kinds.

In other words, susceptibility to winter ailments is increased, the chances of catching a chill and becoming seriously unwell are greater.

It has been calculated that one hour more of sleep affords the necessary protection against the loss of fitness. Thus, if the summer allowance is seven hours the winter allowance should be eight.

OWL IN MID-OCEAN.

Zoo's Guest from Arctic Wastes.

A snowy owl captured on board a vessel 400 miles out of New York has reached the Zoo.

There was once in the Gardens a specimen of this large and fierce species taken 700 miles from shore.

One cannot mistake the newcomer, for its feathers are immaculately clean compared with those of the older resident, in the next cage, which have become dimmed by the smoke and fogs of London.

What is more interesting to note, however, is that save for his face the plumage of the latest lodger in the owl's aviary is richly adorned with wavy black markings, while that of its neighbour is almost pure white. The former is the livery of the immature bird, and the latter that of the adult.

The home of the snowy owl is the treeless wastes of the Arctic. The bird is a regular visitor to Great Britain, but it is extremely scarce.—A. E. H. in *Daily Chronicle*.

Mr. MAYOR:

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PRÆHISTORIC MENU.

Cooking in Primitive Times.

A French writer has declared cooking to be the oldest cultural step of humanity; since with the development of actual physical taste the foundation for all other training of the senses was laid. The development of cookery certainly meant an important advance in civilisation, and interesting researches in this dark and difficult subject have recently been published.

Primitive men ate everything, and did not differ in their diet from the animals about them. The beginnings of cookery were only made when man discovered the control and use of fire. His first efforts in this direction consisted probably of no more than a flickering fire in the forest clearing or an ashen glow in a hole in the ground. There were no utensils. The meat was simply put in the fire or roasted in hot ashes on flat heated stones.

The cooking by means of heated stones—thrown with mast into water in leather-lined holes in the ground—seems to have developed considerably, and probably about the same time the beginnings of bakery were attempted. Grains were roasted and ground between stones, then made into a paste with water, and so eaten. This sort of porridge has been found now and then in old vessels. The connection of women with baking is not evident until cooking utensils and boiling became common—in fact, until man exchanged his nomadic, hunting life for a settled agricultural one. The cooking pot itself is the last member of a long evolution from drinking vessels. In the hollow horn or wooden cup the huntman of the stone age softened his raw food in water; into this he threw red-hot stones, till the water actually boiled.

Evidence of the actual menu of primitive times has been obtained from ash-heaps of antiquity, especially the one known as Kjekkenmodder in Denmark. This is about 50 yards long and two or three yards high and from the varied refuse in it we can discover a by no means monotonous bill of fare for the primitive man. Oysters and shellfish seem to have been a most favoured dish, for there are millions of their shells. But there are also plentiful remains of other courses: of fish, poultry, and mammals, of herrings and eels, of swans, of deer, roe, and wild boar. Less often we find remains of wolf, fox, lynx, or bear; still less often of rats and mice, which had apparently to appear as food in lean times.

Sometimes the bones have been split to obtain the marrow. Some vegetables seem also to have been eaten, so the primitive man enjoyed considerable variety of fare at this period. He could bask in his banquet with oysters or mussels, have then baked fish or poultry, and finally, as his principal course, a juicy steak from the bison, or a leg of venison or boar.—M. S. in *H.N.*

SHIP SCUTTLED BY ENGINEER.

Underwriters Win Appeal.

"I am forced to the conclusion that this vessel was deliberately scuttled with the connivance of the manager of the company owning her," said Lord Justice Bankes in the Court of appeal in November.

The Court was dealing with the case of the Spanish steamer *Arnos*, which foundered while on a voyage from Vitoria, Spain, to Rotterdam on April 27, 1921. The weather was fine at the time, the sea was smooth, and the ship was within easy reach of a fishing fleet.

In the lower court, Mr. Justice Bailhache gave judgment in favour of the Spanish owner of the *Arnos* for £10,000 as part of a sum of £150,000 for which the vessel was insured in this country.

Against this judgment the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, one of the underwriters affected, appealed, and, in reversing it, the Appeal Court upheld the corporation's theory that water found its way into the ship through the engineer having deliberately opened a valve.

Appellants were allowed costs in the Appeal Court, and in Mr. Justice Bailhache's court.

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The most popular Christmas toy for children in Paris this year is the home cinematograph, writes W. J. Deeh in the *Daily Chronicle*. It is already on the market, and at a price which will practically bring it within the reach of all, and there is a wide choice of films to go with it.

It seems a very little while since the magic lantern was regarded as an innovation at children's parties, but the cinema is as great an advance on the magic lantern as the latter was on the picture-book.

The home cinematograph has a great future. I saw the other day, at a children's birthday party, an instance of the most charming use to which the cinema has ever been put. The baby days of the five-year-old host were thrown on the screen. He had been filmed at regular intervals during his short existence.

In the first picture we saw him at the age of twelve months taking his earliest lessons in walking, holding his mother's hand and toddling along with girlish smiles.

We next saw him in his baby chair playing with a teddy bear and evidently unaware this time that he was being filmed.

BABYHOOD'S RECORDS.

Other scenes of baby life were thrown on the screen, and all the time the boy himself was watching them. It was a delightful programme, and can imagine the pleasure of parents who possess such records.

Home filming has a great future. We shall have to scrap the old-fashioned pictures of baby, stiff and artificial after painful efforts to persuade him to sit still and look in the right direction.

The future picture of the boy in his first trouser suit will not look like a lifeless fashion plate, but will show him walking proudly beside his parents or romping in the garden. That memorable day when he receives his first prize at school will not be recalled by a simple picture of a boy and a book, but he will be seen marching to the front platform of the school hall and receiving the prize amid the cheers of his companions.

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ately after landing.

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ed on unless intimation is received
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Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by the Undersigned. Goods
remaining unclaimed after the
3th January 1923 at
Noon, will be subject to rent and
landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to
me on or before the 9th January
1923, or they will not be recogniz-
ed.

All damaged packages will be
examined on Friday, the 3th
January 1923, at 10 a.m. by
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No Fire Insurance has been
effected.

R. RODENFUSER
Actg. Agent.

Hongkong, 30th Dec., 1922.

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Consignees of cargo must pro-
duce an Import permit signed by
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and Exports, Hongkong, before
Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed.

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ed cargo is to be left in the
Godowns where it will be
examined at 10 a.m. on Jan 6th.
by the Company's Surveyor's
Messrs. Anderson & Ashie.
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within thirty days of the steam-
er's arrival here, after which they
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will be recognized after the
goods have left the Godowns, and
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Co., Ltd. at Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained immedi-
ately after landing.

Optional cargo will be forward-
ed unless intimation is received
from the Consignees before noon
to-day requesting it to be landed
here.

Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed by the Undersigned. Goods
remaining unclaimed after Thurs-
day the 11th at Noon will be
subject to rent and landing
charges.

All claims must be sent in to
me on or before the 14th January
1923 or they will not be recognized.
All packages will be exam-
ined on Thursday the 11th
inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs. God-
dard & D.

No Fire Insurance has been
effected.

RODENFUSER,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 1923.

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may be obtained.

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be given before inst.

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Goods left the Godowns and
all Goods remaining undelivered
after 12th inst. will be subject to
rent.

All claims must be presented
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 22nd inst.
or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damag-
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"NEW JERUSALEM."

Prayers that are Mockery.

Dr. Alfred Salter, M.P. for Ber-
mondsey, addressed a Brother-
hood meeting at Whitefield's
Tabernacle recently on "The
Establishment of the Kingdom of
God on Earth." "What would
you expect to find?" he asked.
"I am certain there will not be
much of my borough of Bermond-
sey in the picture, nor of Poplar
and areas around this place. I
don't believe there will be any
Mayfair or Belgravia."

"You would not expect to find
families huddled in one room in
the New Jerusalem. I am quite
sure that in the city of God I
picture you will not see the sal-
low-faced, lantern-jawed people
that live in and around our in-
dustrial areas. You will not see
thousands waiting for the dole
and the relieving officer; and I
don't think you will see the exis-
tence of millionaires. Nor will
there be large landowners, oil
kings, and copper kings monopol-
izing what our Father put into
the bosom of the earth."

Dr. Salter ridiculed the idea
that industry would be carried on
by private enterprise and not for
the common good. In the New
Jerusalem industry would be
organised in the interests of
everybody and for the benefit of
the common weal. "The people
who sit opposite me in the House
of Commons, he proceeded, "say
this is a beautiful dream. Dr.
you believe it is a dream? If
you believe it is unrealisable,
stop insulting God by praying
"Thy kingdom come. Thy will be
done on earth." (Applause.)

The Labour party believe it is realis-
able, and are putting every ounce
of their strength towards its
realisation."

Dr. Salter said that in the king-
dom of God there would be no
army or navy. In the last war
he refused to fight and advised
others not to fight, and he would
do the same in the next. He be-
lieved nothing but a miracle would
save them from another war. God
said "Thou shalt not kill," and
made no reservation about killing
their fellow-men at the command
of Governments.

VOODOO WORSHIP

Baby Sacrificed By Cubans.

The New York World pub-
lishes a terrible story of alleged
voodoo worship in a message from
Havana, Cuba. The body of a
two-year-old white child, kid-
napped from its home near Camaguey,
was found by policemen
dead in a clump of bushes. From
the state of the body they say
that the baby was killed by negro
voodoo worshippers.

The baby's heart was missing
and its arteries slashed and its
blood drained. A negro, known
as a voodoo doctor, has been
arrested. The parents of the dead
baby have lost their reason
through the tragedy, and the mother
is dying of acute melancholia.

This latest case of sacrifice of
white babies, adds the "message,"
has aroused indignation through-
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HOW PLANTS REST.

Effects of Different Weather.

An interesting account of the
sleep of plants was given by
Professor Weiss to a large audi-
ence at the Manchester University
last month. He began by explain-
ing how the growth of plants was
stimulated more by darkness than
even by warmth, and how it was
retarded by light. It followed that
growth was greater at night than
in the daytime.

This increase in the speed of
growth was capable of affecting
the organs of the plant so that
they assumed a different position
—as shown, for example, in the
opening and closing of leaves
and petals—in daylight as com-
pared with darkness. When the
petals of flowers, such as the
crocus, closed in dull weather or
towards evening, it meant that
the rate of growth on the under
surface had become greater than
that of the closing surface.

It had been discovered, Pro-
fessor Weiss continued, that this
opening and closing movement
lasted even after the alternation
of light and darkness had been
stopped. That could be proved
either by placing the plant in a
position where light could not
get to it, or where it was
supplied with the right kind
of artificial light. Plants there-
fore, were not only directly sen-
sitive to light, but the rhythm of
alternating night and day im-
pressed itself on the plant or-
ganism so that it had an
accumulated effect, as in the
case of habit on animals. In
other words, plants could be
educated.

All plants required a period of
rest or sleep, though they took
it in different seasons; and al-
though that period could be
entirely. Generally speaking,
our herbaceous plants rested
during the winter and most of
their active functions were sus-
pended. Early spring bulbs,
on the other hand, began their
rest with the dying down of the
leaves and reawakened to
activity in the autumn. Another
interesting feature of bulbs and
corms was that, if by mischance
they were brought nearer to the
surface of the soil than they
ought to be, they either began to
throw out special root-like growths

which were able to drag the bulb
back to its proper depth in the
soil, or by various devices to form
fresh bulbs at the right depth.

In the same way, the buds
of bushes and trees insisted upon
their period of rest. All that
gardeners could do was to shorten
that period. The growth of rhubarb
could be secured by Christmas-
time by first digging up
the root, exposing it for a few
days to frost, and then placing it
in a greenhouse. Lilies of the
valley, white lilies, and various
bulbs were brought into early
flowering by cold storage. An-
other method adopted was that
of giving a plant a warm bath for
12 to 24 hours, with the water at
a temperature of 80 to 90 degrees
Fah., or by placing it in a vessel
containing ether vapour. In
illustration of this forcing
methods, the lecturer threw on to
the screen photographs of plants
with some branches still in the
unopened leaf bud stage and
others—which alone had been
subjected to the artificial treat-
ment—in full leaf and flower.

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LINCOLN'S INN.

Five Hundred Years of History

The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, which recently celebrated the five hundredth anniversary of its occupation of its present home, doubtless existed long before 1422. But this is the date at which its records recommence. They show that a society with the name "Societas de Lincoln's Inn" was then in existence, with a well-established constitution, and with rules regarding admission and membership which, with modifications, still obtain.

The official view is that the Honourable Society originated between 1286 and 1310, in a group of lawyers, who were brought by Henry Lacy, Earl of Lincoln, to settle near his manor house in Holborn. They occupied a house in Shos-lane, from whence they moved to Thavies Inn, and afterwards to Furnival's Inn, from which they passed to the present site. There is, however, an ancient tradition, which has never been entirely discredited, that the Earl of Lincoln's mansion actually stood on part of the present site of Lincoln's Inn, and that the Society had its origin here, and nowhere else.

Another portion of the present-day Lincoln's Inn then belonged to the Bishop of Chichester to whom the Society paid rent of ten marks a year. Later on, this portion became the property of the Society by purchase.

It was the Bishop's Hall which the Society first used as a Hall. This was the centre of the life of the Inn; here its members met and dined, here readings were given and points of law mooted, here revels and masques were held, Christmas plays were presented, and dancing was practised as a necessary accomplishment of a young lawyer. The Hall had an open fire in its centre, and this probably supplied the only warmth to the members, for few of the chambers had fireplaces, and curfew was tolled at nine—an old custom kept up in the Inn to this day.

"JARDYCE V. JARDYCE" In early times, all the members of the Society lived in the Inn, and were summoned to dinner and supper by the blowing of a horn. But, strange to say, although they dined and supped every day, they breakfasted only four times a week. It was a meagre meal, consisting of bread and beer. They were subject to severe discipline. Students were forbidden to kill the rabbits in the coneygarth adjoining the Hall, or even to carry a bow—an order which, when gunpowder was invented, was extended to firearms.

The Inn claimed jurisdiction over its members both outside as well as within its precincts. And so we read of some who were censured for playing cards at the Port's house of the Rolls, or for wearing gowns in the City, or for visiting disreputable houses in the vicinity, as well as for assaults upon servants of the Society. Punishment ranged from fine, or being put in the stocks, to expulsion from the Inn. The chief servants were the Butler and the Steward, who are still important officials. The Butler, for some time, also held the position of Librarian, and made the first catalogue of the Library, which, unfortunately, has not been preserved.

The existing Old Hall, which succeeded the Bishop's Hall, dates from 1489, and is now the oldest building in the Inn. Besides being used by the Society, it was, a century ago, the Lord Chancellor's Court—the Court which Dickens describes in the opening chapter of "Bleak House," when he introduces us to "Jardyce v. Jardyce," that picture of Chancery delays and abuses. It is interesting to note that this imaginary case was inspired by an actual suit heard in Lincoln's Inn Hall, known as the "Great Jennings Case." It had commenced long before Dickens was born, and outlived him by many years.

Next in age to the Old Hall is the Gate House opening into Chancery-lane, which dates from 1520-1, and is one of four such Gate Houses left in London, the others being at St. James's Palace, Lambeth Palace and Clerkenwell. Another link with the past is the Chapel which was designed and built by Inigo Jones, and opened in 1633. It was built on pillars, and the cloister below is the burying place of many more or less famous members of the Inn. Until a Zeppelin bomb destroyed them, its greatest glory was the beautiful windows, painted, according to Horace Walpole, by the Dutch family of Van Linde, who painted many windows at Oxford.

EASTERN ITEMS.

The marriage will take place, at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, on the 10th, instant at 3.30 p.m., of Mr. James H. Oilerdensen to Miss Violet Elaine Hawes, daughter of Mr. James Hawes, states the *Mercury*.

The quiet but pretty wedding of Miss Mabel Mary Johns, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. R. Johns, of Paignton, Devon, and formerly of Shanghai, and of Mr. Donald Stewart, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stewart, of Horsforth, Leeds, took place on December 30th, at the Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai. The very Rev. Dean Symons officiated. A reception was later held at 893, Avenue Foch, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Symons. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart afterwards left by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada for Hongkong, where the honeymoon is being spent.

The Shanghai Revolver Club's sixth annual revolver competition for the club championship (members only) closed, on December 31st. Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, S. M. Police, wins the gold medal and will be transferred to the championship class in future competitions.

Extensive damage to property accompanied by heavy loss of life is reported from Shanghai. A fire broke out at 2 p.m. on December 30th, on Ferry and Robinson Roads in a group of Chinese huts. Fanned by a strong breeze, the fire spread with alarming rapidity and quickly engulfed all the houses in the vicinity until a total of between five and six hundred homes were a roaring mass of flames. Over thirty bodies have been recovered and it is expected that there are many more which have been totally burned to ashes leaving no traces.

The amahs of Tientsin have gone on strike. The British Municipal Council resolved that those using Victoria Gardens should be registered and have a card stating their identity, showing a finger print, and declaring that they and the children under their care would observe the rules of common decency and abstain from creating a disturbance or using bad language. Rather than use the Gardens under such conditions, the amahs started a boycott, and during the past day or two foreign children have had to be content to take the air on the roads outside. Latterly, however, the female element seems to have weakened, and a few have agreed to register.

FAMOUS MEMBERS. Of the rest of Lincoln's Inn's buildings, some date from a general rebuilding of the Inn in the sixteenth century, when the coneygarth was dug up for the making of thousands of bricks. Some of these were used for the wall on the western side of the Inn, where, tradition says, Ben Jonson worked "with a trowel in his hand and a book in his pocket." In one of the old houses that still remain lived John Thurlow, one of the Council of State under Cromwell. Long after he died a collection of State Papers was discovered, hidden in a false ceiling.

More recently erected are the Hall and the Library. In the Hall, a very spacious building, which contains a remarkable fresco painting by the late G. F. Watts, the students still keep their terms by eating dinners, just as they did centuries ago. In the adjoining Library, which, as regards its contents, is the oldest library in London, there is a collection of books dating from the time when a very few printed volumes, supplemented by manuscript treatises and commonplace books, constituted the lawyer's library. Now some 70,000 volumes minister to his wants.

Of famous members there is a long roll of names, beginning with Sir John Fortescue, who was the Governor or Treasurer of 1424-6, and including Sir Thomas More, the first lay Chancellor; Sir Matthew Hale, whose MSS. in the Library help to keep his name fresh; Lords Mansfield, Brougham, St. Leonards Campbell, Selborne, Cairns, Herschell, and Russell of Killowen. William Pitt also was a member, as were Disraeli and Gladstone, while, coming to more recent times, the names of Lord Haldane, Mr. Asquith, Lord Morley, Lord Bryce, and many other lawyers and politicians occur to the mind as those of members who have taken a more or less active part in the government of the Inn. —The Times.

THE COCKNEY GULL.

His Education Now Complete.

The education of the gull as a Londoner is now complete, says a writer in the *Times*. During the last few days black-headed gulls—in the white-headed winter dress which they wear while visiting us—have been feeding with the flocks of pigeons on the roadway of by-streets in Westminster and displaying all the assurance of true Cockneys in scarcely condescending to evade passing vehicles. Even a motor-omnibus only moves them a few feet farther on.

Forty-one years ago, in the winter of the great frost of 1881 when their first predecessors, eight in number, astonished London by making themselves at home on the water in St. James's Park, such a development of the gull's familiarity would not have seemed possible. The mere presence of "seagulls in London" sufficed to keep up a surprised procession of pedestrians, carrying paper bags of bread, over the bridge all day long. No doubt the open water, broken for the waterfowl, and the sight of ducks feeding there had attracted the gulls in the first instance, but the public quickly discovered that the visitors could pick up bread off the ice. Day after day it rained bread, and even the ducks became expert but comical skaters.

These pioneer gulls—they scarcely deserved the name of "sea" gulls, by the way, being always birds of marsh and waste rather than the open sea—evidently liked London, because they brought many friends with them the next winter; and after that the annual invasion of London increased until a few years ago, when, the pastime of feeding the gulls on the Embankment having lost all the charm of novelty, the birds discovered that their numbers exceeded their welcome. Meanwhile they have learned to disperse themselves all over the country and have become common objects of inland ornamental waters in scores of places; while the ploughman pursuing his winter labour amid a whirling snowstorm of gulls' white wings has become a familiar spectacle in many a countryside.

Whether we call him "sea" gull or not, the black-headed gull has seafaring instinct enough to play the pirate wherever he goes. The motive of his first visit to London was robbery of the ducks in St. James's Park, and when the ploughs are idle in the country he chiefly lives by robbing the peewits with menaces. So perhaps, if his new venture of feeding with the London pigeons should prove successful, we may see exciting chases in and out of the traffic, until the pigeon who has been unlucky enough to find a crust of bread drops it for the screaming gull behind.

Meanwhile our modern successors of those soothsayers who read omens in the flight of birds will tell us that this new departure of the gulls in London probably presages a winter of severity like that of 1851, when their predecessors first came.

GIRL'S SUICIDE.

Expected Scolding from Parents.

Afraid that she would be scolded by her parents because she had been punished at school for the first time, Edith Noyau, a pretty curly-haired girl of nine, threw herself from the Alma Bridge into the River Seine, says the Paris correspondent of the *London Evening News*. The only daughter of a railway porter, she was, according to her parents, a well-behaved and intelligent child. A few days ago, because she had failed to do a task, her school-mistress reprimanded her, and entered "punishment" in red ink on her exercise book, telling her to show it to her father.

The girl, afraid, did not do so; nor did she do the "lines" which had been set as punishment. A second punishment followed, also duly inscribed in red ink. The little girl, as soon as the day's work was over, went straight from school and flung herself in the river, her distraught father being one of those who helped to recover the body.

NEW STEAMER LAID UP. After undergoing successful trials on the Clyde a new passenger steamer, not yet named, built by Messrs. Barclay, Currie and Co., of Glasgow, for the Compagnie Francaise de Navigation a Vapeur (Cyprien Fabre), has been laid up indefinitely in the Gareloch owing to the high costs of working and the stagnation in emigration.

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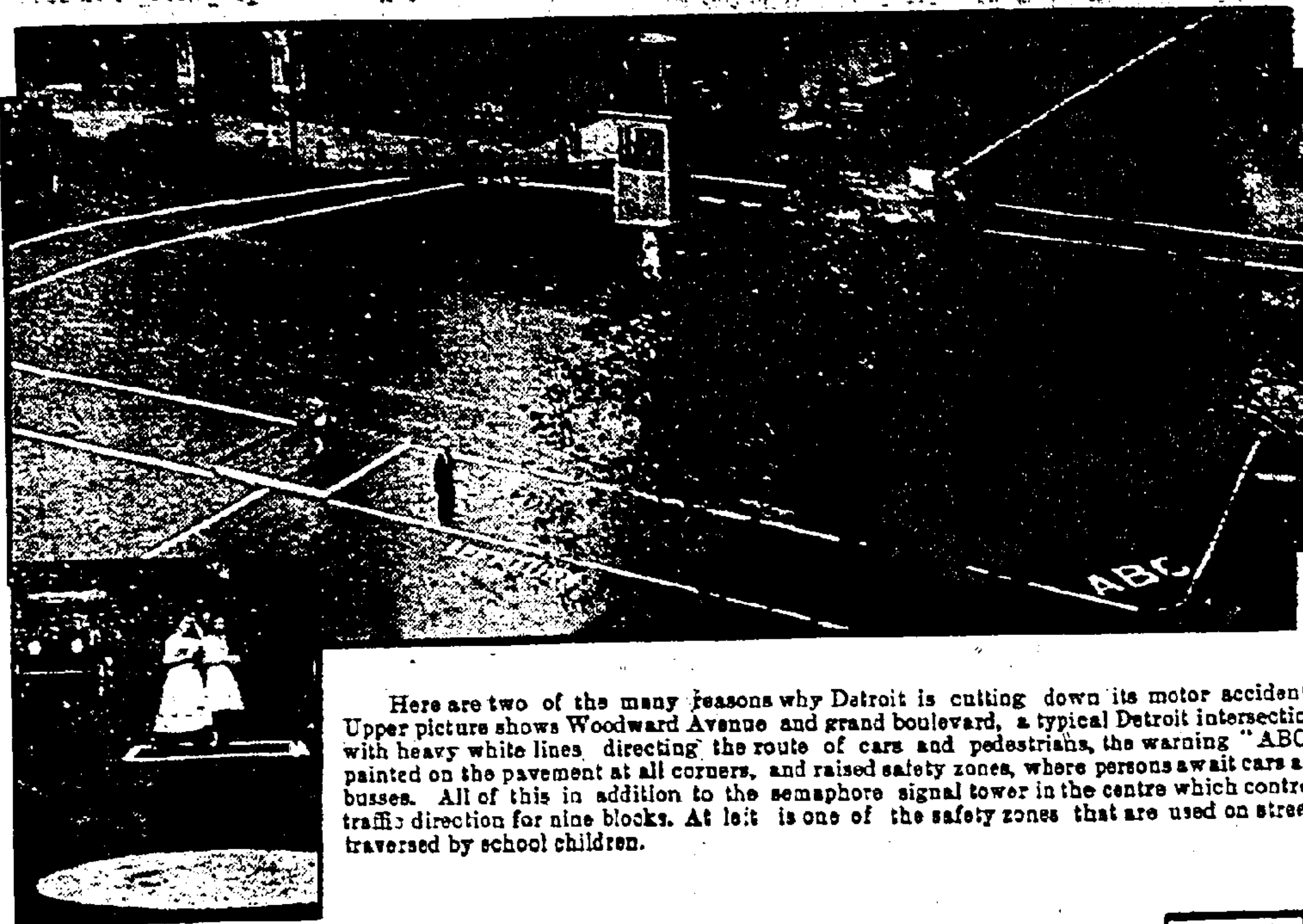
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Here are the wives of six important members of the British Government. Upper row, left to right, Viscountess Corzon, wife of the foreign secretary; Mrs. L. C. Amery, wife of the first lord of the admiralty, and Lady Lloyd-George, wife of the president of the Board of Trade. Below, left to right, the Duchess of Sutherland, wife of the secretary of the air ministry; the Duchess of Devonshire, wife of the colonial secretary, and the Marchioness of Crew, wife of the Ambassador to France.



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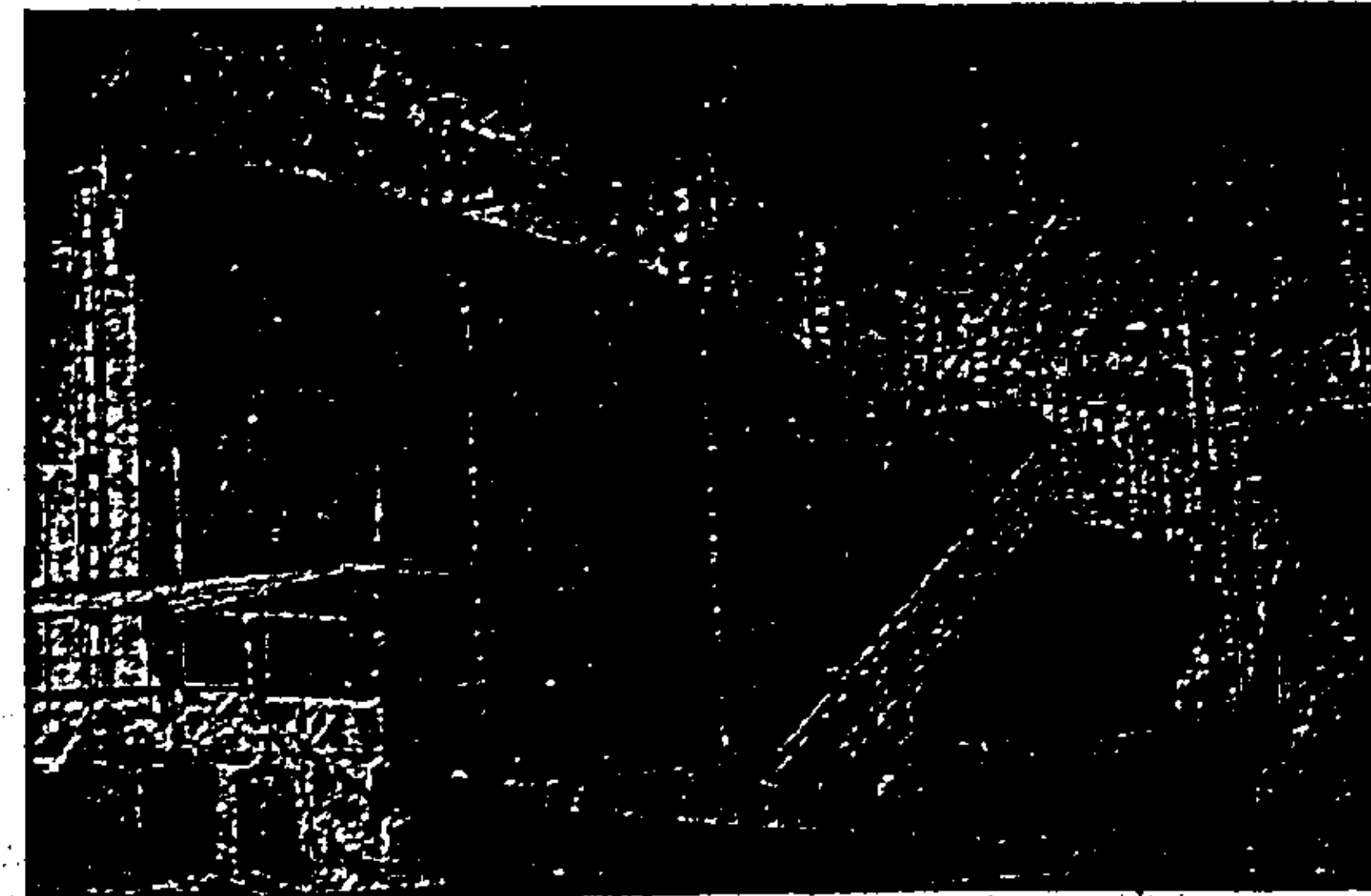
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OLENBEI	10th Jan.	G'oa, L. Hull, R'dam & H'burg.	
PEMBROKESHIRE	10th Feb.	OLENBEI	20th Jan.
		London, Hull, R'dam & H'burg.	
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DURBAN MARU Friday, 12th January.

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BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

AWA MARU (Calling Penang) Wednesday, 10th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

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TTAO via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Wed. 10th Jan. at 3 p.m.	
HAIPHONG via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Thurs. 11th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
TTAO via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Fri. 12th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
MANILA via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Fri. 12th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
BANGKOK via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Fri. 12th Jan. at 3 p.m.	
SANDAKAN via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Mon. 15th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
KOBE via S'hai & S'hai Takang	Tues. 16th Jan. at noon.	
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GENERAL NEWS.

ORDERS FOR TEES SIDE SHIPBUILDERS.

A shipbuilding revival is taking place on Tees-side. Messrs Richardson, Duck, and Co., Stockton-on-Tees, have secured an order for five vessels, and the Ryper, Steamship Company, West Hartlepool, have purchased the steamer on which work was stopped when virtually nothing had been done except the laying of the keel on the stocks.

NEW ADMIRAL LINE FREIGHTER.

For the purpose of placing its schedule on a monthly basis, the Admiral Line has taken over the U.S. Shipping Line freighter, Cross Keys, to operate on the North China run.

The former service was every 40 days, but the increased freight shipments has necessitated a better service. The Cross Keys was to make its initial trip to Japan leaving Seattle in the latter part of December.

"STRONG MAN" FALLS DEAD.

The death of Attilio Franzoni, a "strong man," on the stage of the Sheffield Empire was the subject of a coroner's inquiry, where a verdict of "Death from natural causes" was returned.

Dr. Carter said that the particular form of heart disease from which Franzoni suffered would not have been revealed in life by a medical examination.

NEW THAMES BRIDGE.

The proposal to build a new bridge over the Thames in the neighbourhood of St. Paul's Cathedral was discussed recently by the Court of Common Council, on a report from the Bridge House Estates Committee, recommending that the preliminary work should now be started.

There was strong opposition to the proposal, on the ground that the bridge is not wanted, and that its maintenance will be a charge on the ratepayers.

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Extension from Clapham to Morden.

New schemes providing for great railway developments in South London are disclosed in Parliamentary Notices issued recently.

Powers are being sought by the Underground to extend the City and South London line from its present terminus, Clapham Common, via Balham, Tooting and Merton, to Morden to form a junction with the proposed Wimbledon and Sutton Railway already authorised.

If these powers are granted we shall presently have a railway system linking up the pretty town of Sutton with Edgware, the terminus to the extension from Golders-Grass, now being constructed.

It is proposed to extend the Hampstead tube to Watford, so that travellers using the London and South-Western line will no longer have to change at Charing-cross for Hampstead.

Ambitious plans have also been made for building an underground station at Piccadilly-circus as large as the circus itself. There will be new escalators, new automatic ticket barriers and entrances from every side.

The first of these plans estimated to cost six to seven million pounds, will be put into execution when the edgware line is finished. It will be the extension of the City and South London tube.

EPILEPSY CURE.

Success of David Lewis Colony.

At the annual meeting of the David Lewis Epileptic Colony, held at the Manchester Memorial Hall recently, Dr. Allan McDougall, the director of the institution, reported that the drug that was raising new hopes—Luminal sodium—had been given an extensive trial in the treatment of the colonists. It had proved, he said, helpful here and disappointing there, but worthy of further trial. Experience showed, however, that of children moved away from their homes to special residential schools soon after the onset of epilepsy, many had no more fits.

It had been suggested that the existing cause of the onset of epilepsy was often mental anxiety from some perhaps undetectable irritation in the child's home life. Under such circumstances, with the continuance of the irritation, drugs failed, while in the congenial atmosphere of a residential epileptic school the child might have got well quickly without medicine.

Parents feared that seeing others have fits would make the lightly affected child worse; but the contrary was the truth. The bright had much less to fear from living with the dull than the dull from living with the bright.

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A Thing to be Avoided.

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HARDY PLANTS.

Overcoming Climatic Difficulties.

As befits a nation of gardeners, Englishmen have to their hands a remarkably varied choice of hardy plants, and a comparison of the catalogue of a representative British nurseryman with that of a reputable foreign firm shows how fortunate they are in this respect.

This happy state of things is, perhaps, only natural, for although gardeners, we do not make much use of our own wild flowers, we have the world to choose from, and are quick to take the best of what other countries are ready to barter with us. In modern times, too, the brunt of the work involved in the discovery of new plants, especially in Asia, and their introduction to gardens, has been borne by our countrymen, and that has given us the first call on many recent discoveries.

Some of these are already firmly established; some have still to prove their worth, and others have failed to live up to the encomiums bestowed on them by their discoverers. That, however, is no more than one would expect, in view of the great differences between our climate and that of the countries whence exotic plants come, for climate has much to do with plant welfare.

In handling new plants, the amateur's prime difficulty is the discovery of the conditions under which they will flourish, and unless he can profit by the experience of others, he can learn only by experiment. There is much of the zest in gardening and much of the disappointment which salts the zest, for by empirical methods success is built on failure, and plants will often succumb if unhappy in their surroundings. To make them happy is the aim of the cultivator. Frequently, attempts are made to simulate the conditions under which a plant is known or supposed to exist in its natural home, but in nine cases out of ten this is impossible of attainment in Great Britain, and, except within wide limits, the wise cultivator does not attempt it.

FLOURISHING IN BRITAIN.
Sometimes a plant will flourish here in conditions seemingly the very opposite of those prevailing in its natural home on the other side of the globe, and that is more a tribute to the marvellous adaptability of plant life than to the skill of the cultivator. Now and again the end is achieved by accident, and in the cultivation of plants there is no golden rule to success. But it is well to observe certain broad principles, and no one in his senses would endeavour to grow a dryland plant, such, for example, as the Yucca, in an English marsh; nor would he expect any of Primula tribe to live long in a sun-blistered hill garden.

Some are born cultivators, and seem to know intuitively the conditions under which exotic plants will flourish. But even they are sometimes beaten by the tricks our climate plays on them, for it is the one element which none of us can control. The gardener can alter the natural soil in his garden much as he pleases, for it is usually solely a question of expense; he can take advantage of exposed or sheltered places, keep out the wind where he wants to, and see that such of his plants as seem to need it have all the water they want. But when they are "sunned and snowed within the hour" in the middle of May, battered by hailstones, or drowned by week after week of steady down-pour, he is gravelled. Were he able to grow plants in the prodigal way Nature grows them, such incidents would not matter, because, if she destroys nine-tenths of the plants in her wild garden, there is ample left to carry on the race.

Some plants flourish so amazingly when brought into the congenial surroundings of a garden as to dumbfound the man who has seen them only as wild things. Others pine on rich fare, and are content with little else but stones for a bed.—The Times.

PRINCE AND WOMEN BARRISTERS.

The Prince of Wales, who is a member of the Middle Temple, dined with his fellow barristers and a large number of barristers and students at the Middle Temple Hall on November 21st. The Prince was admitted and called in 1919, and dined at the Hall on that occasion. It was the first occasion on which women barristers and students had dined with the barristers, barristers and male students in the Middle Temple Hall.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per sea PRES GRANT from Manila.—Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Agnew, Dr. August Anguita, Mr. & Mrs. Howard Ayres, Mr. & Mrs. J. Y. Baruh, Mr. M. Baruh, Mr. F. K. Bobson, Miss D. Bobson, Miss Beth Bohning, Mrs. J. M. Bickart, Mr. & Mrs. Harry H. Culver, Miss Patricia Culver, Mr. Cham Chio, Mr. & Mrs. Irwin H. Evans, Mr. John G. Easton, Mr. & Mrs. F. Z. Eager, Miss Kitty Hirschberg, Miss Dorothy Hirschberg, Mr. C. Hammond, Mrs. E. S. Jennings, Mr. & Mrs. H. F. Jones, Hon. W. D. Jupp, Mr. L. H. Ko, Mr. J. S. Kennard, Mr. Earnest Kaufman, Mr. Lo Min Kwok, Miss S. Masbach, Miss Valink Mesener, Miss Catherine Naylor, Mr. D. C. Oldenberg, Mrs. C. V. Orio, Mr. Ang Chui Pei, Miss Clara Lost, Rev. Gerardo Ramiro, Rev. Higino Suarez, Mr. Chan Sam, Mr. Lee Suen Shan, Mr. W. Renwick Smith, Mrs. Curtis P. Smith, Rev. Scarpio Tamayo, Miss Helena Taggart, Mrs. F. K. Taylor, Mr. Lam To, Miss C. Velasco, Mrs. Thora Vollmers, Mr. Eric Villers, Mr. Thomas B. Wells, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. J. W. Anderson, Mr. J. W. Andrews, Mr. F. J. Blackinger, Mr. Lloyd Brown, Mr. & Mrs. L. C. Dyer, Mrs. Oscar F. Hills, Mrs. Euphenia Hills, Mr. James L. O'Leary, Mr. Frank W. Stout, Mr. & Mrs. N. H. Green, Miss Dorothy Dowell, Mr. & Mrs. Phillip B. Deane, Mr. A. W. Gibson, Mr. A. N. Jureidini, Mr. J. A. Krandell, Miss Mattha Mills, Mr. J. E. McManus, Mr. & Mrs. Chas. D. O'Connor, Mr. G. M. Paris, Mr. & Mrs. G. W. Whitaker.

ROTTINGDEAN'S OLD WINDMILL.
Mr. Hilaire Belloc has made an appeal for the £400 needed to save the old windmill of Rottingdean. He says:—

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PIGEON'S PATHETIC RETURN.

Flew 200 Miles to Old Home.

An old homing pigeon, 12½ years old, which had been penned in and never allowed to fly, has travelled from Birmingham to Haswell, Durham, a distance of 200 miles.

Mr. W. Carlin, the owner, sent the bird to end its days with a Birmingham fancier. It escaped from the latter's cage, and reached its old haunt at Haswell three weeks later.

The father of this bird, when 16½ years old, flew from London to Haswell after being kept a prisoner in London for five years.

WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 8d. 11h. 03m.—Pressure has increased considerably over N.E. Japan. It has decreased moderately over the Loochoos and slightly from Shanghai to Hongkong and the Philippines.

The anticyclone is now shown as an area of relatively high pressure from China to N.E. Japan with shallow gradients.

Another anticyclone may be forming over China.

The monsoon will freshen along the coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 100 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.00 inches, against an average of 0.18 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.
District. Forecast.

(Formosa Channel) N.E. winds, fre h.

South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks. N.E. winds, to moderate, fine.

Hongkong to Gap Rock. N.E. winds, to moderate, fine.

South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan. 1. F. CLAXTON, Director. H.K. Observatory, Jan. 8, 1923.

ONE WAY OF RECKONING.

A Putney labourer against whom a possession order was sought told Judge Harrington at Wandsworth County Court that he had four children. A voice from the back of the Court from the judge: "Aren't you certain how many children you have?" Defendant: "Well, one of them is out of work."

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

SELLING	30 d. s. San Francisco and New York
2 31	54 1/2
2 37 1/2	4 m. s. Mare
	8 10
	4 m. s. France
	8 25
	6 m. s. Demand, Germany
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	175
	Demand, Bombay
	170
	T. T. Calcutta
	170
	Demand, Calcutta
	108
	On Yokohama
	105 1/2
	Demand, Manila
	132 1/2
	Demand, Singapore
	132 1/2
	Demand, Batavia
	Nom.
	On Haiphong
	80 1/2
	On Saigon
	80 1/2
	On Bangkok
	80 1/2
	Sovereign
	Gold leaf per Tael
	31:15 1/2
	Bar Silver, ready
	31:5 1/2
	forward
	31:5 1/2
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	3%
	New York/London
	4:65

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Hongkong 50 cent pieces @	7 1/2% p.m.
10	1 1/2% p.m.
5	4 1/2% p.m.
Canton sub. coins	24 1/2% dia.

Hongkong, January 8, 1923.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Amoy & Manila	Aki M.	8th Jan.
Shanghai	Andre Lebon	8th
Manila	President Grant	8th
Shanghai	Tungchow	8th
Amoy & Manila	St. Albans	8th
Japan	Ave M.	8th
Europe via Europe (Letters & Papers)	Takada	9th
London 7th Dec.	Pussy	9th
Shanghai		

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Ratow, Amoy & Keelung	Kajjo M.	Tues. 9 inst. 8 a.m.
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Amoy	Timsak	Tues. 9 inst. 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok & Egypt	Eumaka	Tues. 9 inst. 10 a.m.
Straits, Amoy & Fochow	Haihong	Tues. 9 inst. 11 a.m.
Wuhaiwei	Chungchow	Tues. 9 inst. 2:30 p.m.
Dairen	Providencia	Tues. 9 inst. 4 p.m.
Haihong, Saigon, Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, J. Marquis, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkoti, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Andre Lebon	Tues. 9 inst. Registration 2:45 p.m. Letters 4:30 p.m. (Des Marseilles 12th Feb.)
Fort Bayard	Cheng Hing	Tues. 9 inst. 5 p.m.
Haihong, Tientsin & Quinow	Yue Ying Wa	Tues. 9 inst. 5 p.m.
Amoy, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., O. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.O.	Pres. Grant	Tues. 9 inst. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Des Victoria 25th Jan.)

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